THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Production of mica has been shown a declining trend.

(b) and (c) Yes Sir. Decline in production of mica is due to a decline in its demand in the international market. With a view to assess the future production capacity of the country and to reopon the closed mines, Geological Survey of India and Indian Bureau of Mines have taken up the detailed study in mica belts of Bihar, Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan. Govenrment of India have also set up Working Groups/ Committees to investigate the problems of the mica industry. To promote the mica mining, Government have also offered a number of incentives to the exporters of mica such as withdrawl of duty on export of mica scrap and waste, and decanalisation of export of processed mica.

ITDA official meeting with local Praja Parishad

2471. SHRI YEERA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ITDA in Andhra Pradesh are stipulated to have monthly or Bimonthly meetings with the Mandal Praja Parishad Presidents in their area of operations;

(b) whether this practice has been abanded in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (b) The information is awaited from the Government of Andhra Pradesh which will be placed on the Table of the House on its receipt.

Representation by residents Welfare Association

2472. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPOYMENT be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the residents Welfare Association of J-Block, Mandir Marg, New Delhi, have submitted a representation to Government/ CPWD authorities for provision of boundary wall and Grill in the parks in the colony for the safety and convenience of the residents;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when these facilities are likely to be provided to the residents and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) The Central Government Employees Residents Welfare Association (Type B) J Block, Mandir Marg have represented for provision of bounidary wall around the Block and grills around the parks within the block.

(c) In view of the limited funds available for maintenance and repairs and the need to apply these funds for proper maintenance of the flats, it is not possible to indicate any time frame within which the works could be taken up for sanction.

Prices of molasses

2473. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the prices of molasses per litre in 1993-94 and in 1994-95;

(b) whether Government is planning to reimpose control on the distribution of molasses;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor; and

(d) the recommendations of Moily Committee in this regard?

THE MINISITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTLIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The maximum prices of sugar mill molasses as regulated under Molasses Control Act, 1961 immediately before decontrol on the 10th June, 1993 were as follows:-

Grade of Molasses	Maximum Prices
Grade I	Rs. 14.40 per 100 kg
Grade II	Rs. 11.50
Grade III	Rs. 8.60